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## City's redevelopment manager is a "Top 40 Under 40" in Hampton Roads

Oct. 15, 2013 - Amy Jordan, 35, redevelopment manager in Hampton's Economic Development Department, has been named one of Hampton Roads' "Top 40 Under 40" in the annual list of business people compiled by Inside Business magazine.

Nominations are open to the public, and honorees are chosen by an independent panel based on success in their profession, the emphasis they place on community, and the way they give back to the region. The awards will be presented at a dinner in Norfolk Tuesday, Oct. 15.

Jordan, a peninsula native and Hampton resident, has served as the city's redevelopment manager for nine years. She helps Hampton generate new retail, office, commercial and mixed-use business opportunities. She has served as the project manager for several key investments, including the redevelopment of Coliseum Mall into the Peninsula Town Center, the expansion of the Sentara Careplex campus, and the completion of the Power Plant development.

Jordan is also a wife and mother of two who is involved in a long list of professional, local and regional organizations, including the Downtown Hampton Child Development Center and the Virginia Chapter of the American Planning Association. She said both her parents were public educators who instilled in her the value of serving others.

Having lived in or worked in seven different Hampton Roads localities, Jordan said, "I'm very passionate about trying to make a difference in my community. I see the things that are great and I see the things that might need improvement. Everywhere I look I see opportunities."

When Inside Business asked what advice she'd give to young people in the workforce today, Jordan said: "Find something you are passionate about, volunteer and give back on the most local level. Connect with your neighborhood and community through civic engagement."

Asked how she juggles a family, work, and community, Jordan laughed, smiled, and said, "A lot of prayer, faith and family."

To read more about Jordan and the other honorees, check out the Oct. 14 issue of Inside Business, <u>www.insidebiz.com</u>. You can learn more about the city's Economic Development office at <u>www.hampton.gov/economicdevelopment</u>

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